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On January 12, 2006, Ms. Mack contacted the Examiner and asked for confirmation as to whether the Office Action of 1/3/07 was a final rejection or non-final rejection, as the final paragraphs of the rejection contained a form-paragraph indicating that the rejection was final. The Examiner indicated that such was typographical error and further indicated that the rejection is a non-final rejection and is indicated as such in the USPTO files. Ms. Mack asked for formal confirmation of such status.

Hence, this communication is to confirm that the Office Action of 1/3/07 is a non-final rejection.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Robert M. Kelly, Art Unit 1633, whose telephone number is (571) 272-0729. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F, 9:00am-5:00pm. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Joseph Woitach can be reached on (571) 272-0739. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300. Information regarding the status of an application may be obtained from the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. Status information for published applications may be obtained from either Private PAIR or Public PAIR. Status information for unpublished applications is available through Private PAIR only. For more information about the PAIR system, see <http://pair-direct.uspto.gov>. Should you have questions on access to the Private PAIR system, contact the Electronic Business Center (EBC) at 866-217-9197 (toll-free).

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